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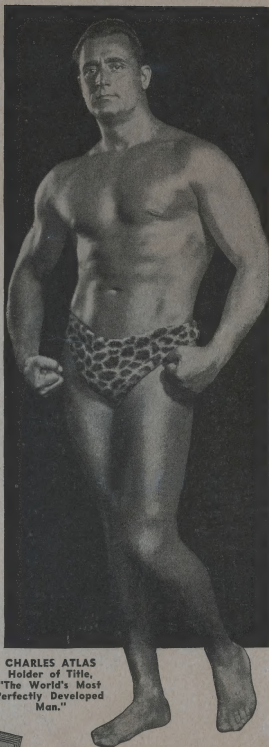
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The SANDMAN

with...

Sandy..
The GOLDEN BOY

DREAMS OF HOPE FOR THE OPPRESSED... NIGHTMARES OF TERROR FOR THE WORKERS OF EVIL... THESE ARE THE STRANGE GIFTS BROADCAST BY **THE SANDMAN** AS HE SWOOPS ACROSS THE SLUMBERS OF MEN, BEARING THE TORCH OF JUSTICE THROUGH THE DARK NIGHT OF CRIME! BUT WHEN THE MIGHTY HERO'S YOUNG PARTNER,

SANDY, MAKES THE ASTOUNDING DISCOVERY THAT **WES DODDS**...WHO IS IN REALITY **THE SANDMAN**... HIMSELF IS TROUBLED BY NIGHTMARES, HE SPOTS THE FIRST CLUE IN A FANTASTIC CRIMINAL PLOT AS EVER LED THE BATTLING PAIR PLUNGING ALONG PATHS OF PERIL IN...

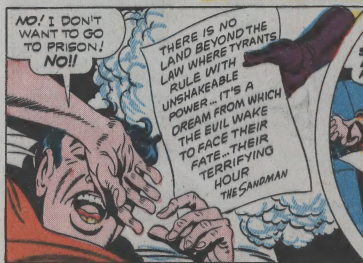
"A DRAMA IN DREAMS"

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GHOST-MINE



YOUNG SANDY HAWKINS SCORES AN UNEXPECTEDLY EASY VICTORY AT TENNIS OVER HIS STALWART FRIEND WESLEY DODDS... WEALTHY SOCIETY PLAYBOY!





UGH! WHERE AM I? OH... IT'S YOU, SANDY!

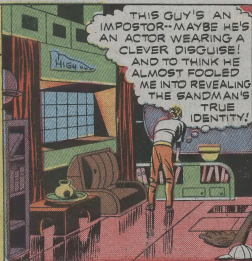
ARE YOU DELIRIOUS, WES? HOW CAN THE SANDMAN BE AFTER YOU?

SUDDENLY, LIKE A BOMBSHELL, THE SHOCKING TRUTH BURSTS UPON THE STARTLED BOY!

HA-HA! THE SANDMAN BOTHERING ME, WES DODDS! WHAT A RIDICULOUS DREAM!

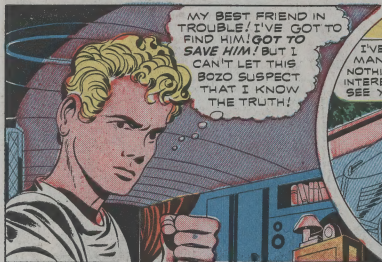
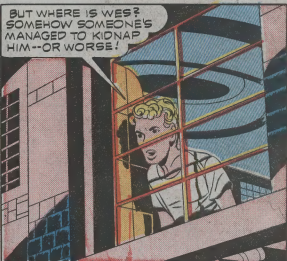
HE DOESN'T KNOW WHO THE SANDMAN REALLY IS! WHY, THEN HE--CAN'T--BE WES DODDS!

STUNNED BY HIS DISCOVERY, SANDY SEEKS HIS OWN ROOM TO TRY AND FIGURE OUT WHAT HAS HAPPENED!

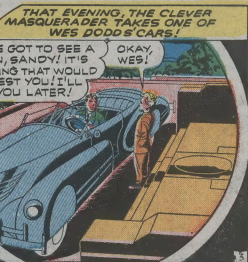


THIS GUY'S AN IMPOSTOR--MAYBE HE'S AN ACTOR WEARING A CLEVER DISGUISE! AND TO THINK HE ALMOST FOOLED ME INTO REVEALING THE SANDMAN'S TRUE IDENTITY!

BUT WHERE IS WES? SOMEHOW SOMEONE'S MANAGED TO KIDNAP HIM--OR WORSE!



MY BEST FRIEND IN TROUBLE! I'VE GOT TO FIND HIM! GOT TO SAVE HIM! BUT I CAN'T LET THIS BOZO SUSPECT THAT I KNOW THE TRUTH!

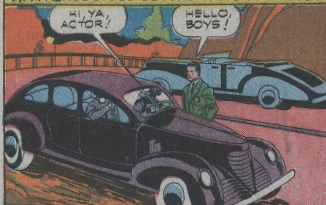


THAT EVENING, THE CLEVER MASQUERADER TAKES ONE OF WES DODDS' CARS!

I'VE GOT TO SEE A MAN, SANDY! IT'S NOTHING THAT WOULD INTEREST YOU! I'LL SEE YOU LATER!

OKAY, WES!

AT A RENDEZVOUS BEYOND THE CITY LIMITS...



HI, YA,
ACTOR!

HELLO,
BOYS!

HERE Y'ARE ACTOR! DODDS
SIGNED THE PAPERS FOR THE
TRANSFER OF HIS GOLD MINE
STOCK! WE TOLD HIM WE'D
BUMP THE KID IF HE DIDN'T!

FINE! I'M
MEETING THE
DIRECTORS
LATER. I'LL GET
THEM TO SELL
OUT FOR A
SONG!

...UNAWARE THAT SANDY HAS
SWITCHED TO A SEAT ON THE REAR
END OF THEIR CAR!

GLOATING AT THEIR OWN SHREWDNESS, THE TWO
CONSPIRATORS LEAVE THE IMPOSTOR...

HA! HA! PRETTY SMART
OF US STEPPIN' INTO DODDS'
SHOES AND COPPIN' ONE
O' THE COUNTRY'S
BIGGEST
FORTUNES!

IT SURE BEATS WOIKIN'
FER A LIVIN'--AN' AFTER
WE GET RID O' DODDS, THERE
WON'T BE ANYBODY TO
TESTIFY AGAINST US!



THE GANG
CAR STOPS
AT AN
OLD
ABANDONED
MINE
IN THE
HILLS,
WHICH
SERVES
AS A
HIDEOUT
FOR THE
MOBSTERS!

HI, NOBSE!
HOW'S THE
PRISONER?

RESTIN' QUIET
LIKE... SINCE
I TOOK A
BLACK JACK
TO 'IM WHEN
HE GOT
RESTLESS!



INSIDE THE SHACK...

YOU CAN'T GET
AWAY WITH THIS!
YOU'D BETTER
LET ME GO
AND START
RUNNING
WHILE
YOU'RE
ABLE!

HE'S HAVIN'
PIPE
DREAMS!

SPEAKIN'
O' DREAMS,
ACTOR WUZ
TELLIN' ME
HE HAD ONE
ABOUT THE
SANDMAN!

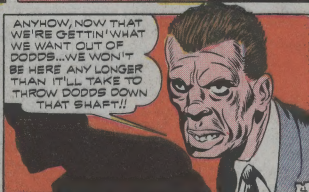


THE SANDMAN!
WHAD'YA HAFTA
MENTION HIM
FER I DREAMT
ABOUT HIM MY-
SELF, AND I
AIN'T STOPPED
SHAKIN' YET!!

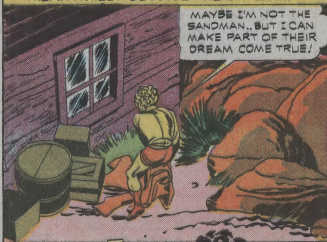
HE'S BAD MEDICINE,
ALL RIGHT--- BUT HE
WON'T GET
WISE TO
OUR
SETUP!



ANYHOW, NOW THAT
WE'RE GETTIN' WHAT
WE WANT OUT OF
DODDS... WE WON'T
BE HERE ANY LONGER
THAN IT'LL TAKE TO
THROW DODDS DOWN
THAT SHAFT!!



MEANWHILE...OUTSIDE THE SHACK...



MAYBE I'M NOT THE SANDMAN...BUT I CAN MAKE PART OF THEIR DREAM COME TRUE!

AS SANDY PREPARES FOR THE RESCUE, WES DODD'S CAPTORS DISAGREE ABOUT HIS EXECUTION!



WE OUGHTA PLUG HIM!

NO SENSE IN WASTIN' SLUGS WHEN THERE'S FIFTY FEET O' WATER IN THE SHAFT TO DROWN HIM!

SUDDENLY...

COME ON, SANDMAN! NOW WE'VE GOT THEM!

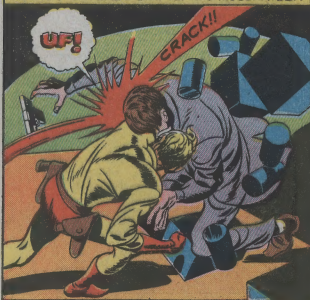
IT'S THE MYSTERY BRAT! THE SANDMAN MUST BE RIGHT BEHIND HIM!



SANDY!



SANDY STRIKES SWIFTLY AND ACCURATELY!



UP!

CRACK!!

LOOK OUT, SANDY...HE'S GOT A KNIFE!!

I'LL CARVE THAT KID LIKE A TURKEY!



SANDY COVERS HIMSELF WITH A BROKEN BOARD AS THE KNIFE PLUNGES HOME!



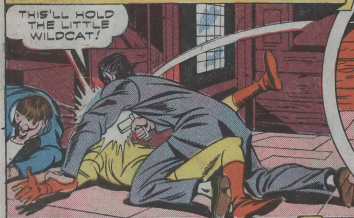
YOU SHOULDN'T PLAY WITH KNIVES, RAT!



...AND A FEW MOMENTS LATER...

MEANWHILE, THE OTHER MOBSTER RECOVERS AND LANDS A SMASHING BLOW ON SANDY WITH HIS GUN BUTT BEFORE THE BOY CAN REGAIN HIS FEET!

THIS'LL HOLD THE LITTLE WILDCAT!



IF YOU HURT THAT BOY, I'LL--

YOU'RE IN NO SPOT TO DO ANYTHING, DODDS!

LET ME UP, YOU...



AROUSED AND ANGERED, THE CRIMINALS RUSH THEIR MURDEROUS PLANS!

COME ON! LET'S BUMP 'EM BEFORE THEY MAKE MORE TROUBLE!

DON'T BE A DIMWIT! IF THE SANDMAN WAS AROUND, HE WOULD HAVE BEEN IN THAT SCRAP!

WHAT ABOUT THE SANDMAN?



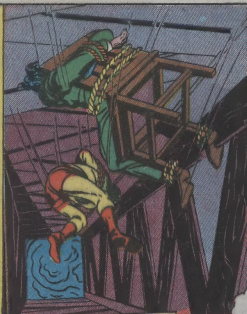
THE GANGSTERS DRAG THEIR HELPLESS VICTIMS TO THE ABANDONED MINE PIT!

SANDY! I-I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY! YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE COME!

FORGET IT! I CAME OF MY OWN ACCORD, DIDN'T I? ANYWAY... WHAT WOULD I EVER DO WITHOUT YOU?



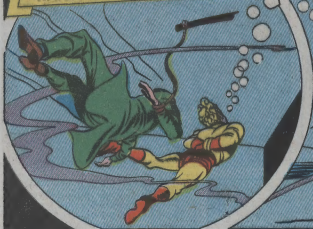
A
CRUEL
PUSH...
A
HEARTLESS
LAUGH...
AND
DOWN,
DOWN
INTO
THE
INKY
BLACKNESS
OF THE
SHAFT
HURTLES
THE
BOUND
AND
HELPLESS
PAIR!



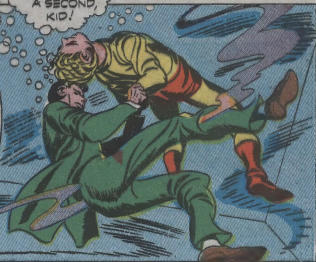
DURING THE DOWNWARD PLUNGE, WES DODDS STRIKES THE SIDE OF THE SHAFT... SHATTERING THE CHAIR AND SEVERING HIS BONDS!



THE DIZZY PLUNGE CONTINUES... UNTIL WITH A LOUD SPLASH, THE WATERS BELOW ENGULF THEM!

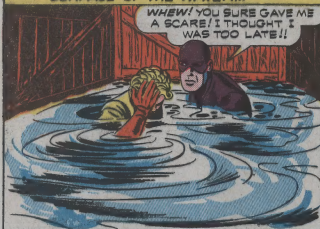


I'LL HAVE
YOU FREE IN
A SECOND,
KID!



SOON AFTER, THE TWO BREAK THE SURFACE OF THE WATER...

WHEW! YOU SURE GAVE ME
A SCARE! I THOUGHT I
WAS TOO LATE!!



TREADING WATER, WES DODDS, WHO IN REALITY IS THE SANDMAN, REMOVES HIS OUTER GARMENTS AND EMERGES IN HIS ACTION SUIT!

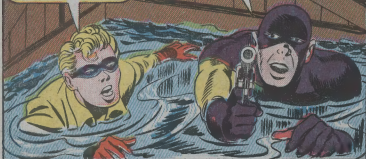
IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU IN
YOUR ACTION SUIT AGAIN,
SANDMAN-- BUT I STILL
DON'T SEE HOW WE CAN
GET OUT OF
HERE!



THE WIREPOON...UNIQUE AMONG WEAPONS...
ONCE AGAIN PLAYS A LIFE-SAVING ROLE!

IF YOU ASK ME, I
THINK WERE SUNK,
AND SUNK IS THE
WORD FOR THIS.
ALL RIGHT!

NOT FORGETTING THAT HANDY
LITTLE GADGET, THE WIREPOON,
ARE YOU? ALL I HAVE TO DO
IS SINK ONE OF THOSE
TIMBERS ABOVE!



YOU'RE ON
THE BEAM,
SANDMAN!



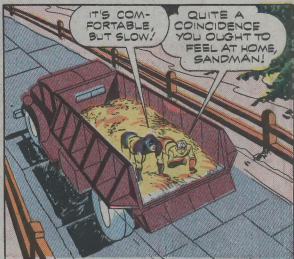
LOOKS LIKE OUR FRIENDS DIDN'T
STICK AROUND! DO YOU THINK THEY
WERE STILL NERVOUS ABOUT
THE SANDMAN?

IF THEY WEREN'T--
THEY'D BETTER
START BEING!



IT'S COM-
FORTABLE,
BUT SLOW!

QUITE A
COINCIDENCE
YOU OUGHT TO
FEEL AT HOME,
SANDMAN!



NEXT BEST THING TO
FLYING...WHERE ARE WE
GOING, ANYWAY?

TO CALL ON MISTER
DODDS AT HIS PENT-
HOUSE, OF COURSE!
SOMETHING TELLS ME
THAT'S WHERE OUR
CHUMS ARE
HEADED!



WE'LL ALL HAVE
PLACES LIKE THIS
WHEN WE GET DODDS'
PALS TO HAND OVER
THEIR GOLD MINES!

SOME
JOINT THE
LATE MR.
DODDS
HAD, EH,
ACTOR?



I'VE BEEN NERVOUS
EVER SINCE I HAD THAT
DREAM ABOUT THE SAND-
MAN! YOU GUYS BETTER
GET OUT OF SIGHT

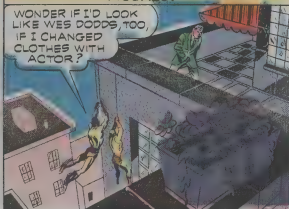
BEFORE OUR
COMPANY
SHOWS UP!

DON'T FORGET WE'LL
BE LISTENIN' IN! DON'T
TRY ANY DOUBLE-CROSS!



AS THE WORRIED ACTOR PACES,
THE WIREPOON PROVIDES A SKYWARD
PATHWAY FOR GRIMLY DETERMINED
FIGURES!

WONDER IF I'D LOOK
LIKE WES DODDS, TOO,
IF I CHANGED
CLOTHES WITH
ACTOR?

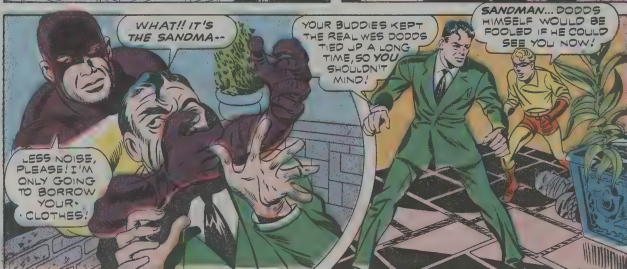


WHAT!! IT'S
THE SANDMA--

YOUR BUDDIES KEPT
THE REAL WES DODDS
TIED UP A LONG
TIME, SO YOU
SHOULDN'T
MIND!

SANDMAN... DODDS
HIMSELF WOULD BE
FOOLED IF HE COULD
SEE YOU NOW!

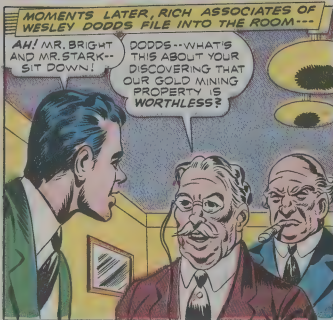
LESS NOISE,
PLEASE! I'M
ONLY GOING TO
BORROW
YOUR
CLOTHES!



MOMENTS LATER, RICH ASSOCIATES OF
WESLEY DODDS FILE INTO THE ROOM---

AH! MR. BRIGHT
AND MR. STARK--
SIT DOWN!

DODDS--WHAT'S
THIS ABOUT YOUR
DISCOVERING THAT
OUR GOLD MINING
PROPERTY IS
WORTHLESS?



GENTLEMEN, YOU HAVE VERY
NEARLY BEEN VICTIMIZED BY
CRIMINALS WHO KIDNAPPED
THE REAL DODDS! ACTUALLY,
THE MINES ARE VALUABLE
AND WORTH
KEEPING!

DODD IS
KIDNAPPED,
YOU SAY?
THEN WHO
ARE YOU?



DODDS IS SAFE, THANKS TO MY YOUNG FRIEND, SANDY! HE'LL BE HOME SOME TIME TONIGHT! I'M THE SANDMAN--TAKING HIS PLACE TEMPORARILY!

THE SANDMAN!

NOW IT STARTS!

INFURIATED AT THE FAILURE OF THEIR PLAN... ARMED THUGS CHARGE FROM THE PENT HOUSE...

ACTOR, WE WARNED YOU NOT TO CROSS US UP!

TRYIN' TO SCARE US OUT WITH THAT SANDMAN STUFF, SO YOU CAN HAVE THE MINES FOR YOURSELF!

YOU SEEM TO BE SKEPTICAL!

ACTOR OR SANDMAN... I'LL FIX YA---

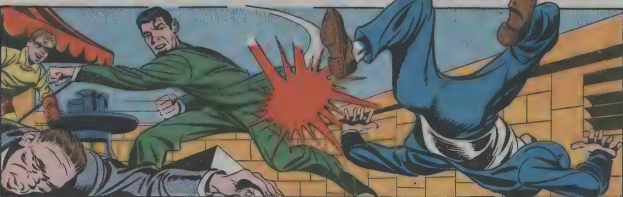
AND HIGH ABOVE THE CITY...WHERE A SLIP WOULD MEAN CERTAIN DEATH...A SAVAGE BATTLE RAGES!

PERHAPS THIS WILL CONVINCE YOU!

CUT IT OUT! I AIN'T GOT NO PARACHUTE!

MY WORD!

OH, YOU WILL... WILL YA?



WE OWE YOU OUR FORTUNES, SANDMAN-- AND I GATHER THAT DODDS OWES YOU HIS LIFE!

I GUESS HE DOES AT THAT!

AFTER THE POLICE HAVE COLLECTED THE CRIMINALS...

HO-HUM! AFTER THIS EXPERIENCE, I GUESS I'M ENTITLED TO A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP!

AND NO NIGHTMARES, PLEASE! I DON'T WANT TO START ALL OVER AGAIN!

YOU CAN SET THERE WON'T BE ANY BAD DREAMS FOR THESE TWO... BUT THEY'LL BE SCATTERING NIGHTMARES THROUGH THE UNDERWORLD ONCE MORE...WHEN THEY ENCOUNTER THEIR NEXT SMASHING ADVENTURE IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF ADVENTURE COMICS!

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Rich in Dextrose
The sugar your body
uses directly for
ENERGY

THE song usually foretold Quintesa Doba's mood. And anybody now listening to that romantic outlaw would immediately deduce that Quintesa Doba had as many moods as he had disguises.

Why, only a few moments before he had been happy. And now here he was sad, as he rode out of the dusty cow town, unrecognized, and onto the high road. His sadness, too, was paradoxical. A man generally becomes happy when the Marshal, who has been trailing him for months, gives up.

But Quintesa was sad, and his romantic heart felt nothing but well-being for the Marshal, who had suddenly been taken ill, Quintesa learned through town gossip.

Quintesa bit his lip, wondered whether he should be so bold as to journey into Phoenix and visit his friendly enemy, the Marshal.

The scream changed his mind.

It came from behind a big boulder in the canyon, a woman's scream! And, like a cavalier to the rescue of his lady love, although he had no way of telling the beauty of the damsel in distress, Quintesa charged to the rescue.

She was standing there terrified, young and blonde, in smart riding costume. Her eyes were glued to the weaving head of a sidewinder, which in a moment would strike.

The body continued moving after Quintesa's first shot neatly lopped off the reptile's head.

But Quintesa Doba cared nothing for that. Solicitously, he was forcing drinking water between the lips of the girl who had fainted. Ah, Quintesa thought, how beautiful she is, so beautiful as some of Mama Doba's enchiladas. (Maybe you should know Quintesa thought as much of Mama Doba's food as he did of attractive señoritas).

The girl moaned, opened startled eyes. "The snake," she breathed.

"He is — poof!" Quintesa

GUNS AND GOLD

by Eric Carter

shrugged. "So slow, he could not get out of the way of my bullet. But what 'ave 'appened to you?" He flashed a smile. "I wait to hear."

She had been collecting colored specimens of rock, Angela Riley, explained. She was a schoolteacher, and she stayed at the Hendry ranch. Removing a stone, she hadn't seen the deadly rattler until too late.

Then, suddenly remembering, he said: "Hendry? You mean Sam Hendry?" This was perfect. Sam Hendry was an old friend of his and, like Quintesa's old friends, knew enough to call him Lopez before strangers.

Quintesa Doba went into transports of delight over the girl's exclamation. A few minutes later and they were riding toward the Hendry ranch. Quintesa singing a love ballad before an admiring audience of two: Angela and the pinto.

Sam Hendry was delighted to see him. The bluff, good-natured rancher quickly invited Quintesa to stay. The two were seated on a corral later, watching a tall, good-looking cowboy giving Angela a riding lesson.

Once again jealousy came into Quintesa's soul, but he kept it to himself, as he listened, almost absently to Sam. "What ees that you say, mi amigo? Thees girl, she lose her job?"

"But we've had bad crops and markets this past year. The ranchers are unable to get up enough money to buy land for a schoolhouse in a central location. We'll have to let Angela go, and our children need her."

Bitterly, he added: "It's a

dirty land hold-up on Mike Frayne's part."

"Thees Frayne, who is he? I do not understand?"

"You will," Hendry said. "There he comes now, if I'm not mistaken. Listen." Hurriedly, he told Quintesa of Mike Frayne. He was the owner of the biggest saloon in town, a gambler, and a powerful politician. He knew the ranchers wanted the school land, and he was demanding a big price.

Instantly, Quintesa Doba sensed an enemy, and he was glad Hendry had introduced him as a new hired hand. Frayne was short and squat, with cruel eyes that barely glanced at Quintesa, who suddenly was looking at a Mexican accompanying Frayne. The Mexican was trying to hide behind a *serape*.

He peered out, his eyes met the cool eyes of Quintesa Doba. Quintesa held up a warning finger. Torres, the Mexican, nodded.

Hendry's parley with Frayne didn't last long and the men soon galloped off, sullen and resentful. He knew now that the ranchers did not intend to meet his price.

"You see what we're up against, Quintesa," Hendry said wearily. "I'm afraid it's hopeless." They were walking by a huge barn, Quintesa thinking. In the semi-darkness of the barn, Quintesa noticed an old stage coach in need of paint. Hendry explained that he had bought it against the day he might start a dude ranch.

Quintesa nodded. "Thees Mike Frayne," he said, "is a very dishonest man. I theenk maybe we find out something, no amigo?"

Alarmed, Hendry said: "Quintesa, wait. No gun play. You've got to promise."

A frown furrowed Quintesa's forehead, but he promised. This, after all, was his friend's county.

"Besides," Hendry said, slowly, "Mike Frayne's a very dangerous man. I could swear he's behind these stage coach

robberies going on. But," he added, puzzled, "Frayne ships out gold via stage, too. Tain't likely a man'll rob himself, then post a reward. A five hundred dollar one, by gum."

Quintesa Doba clapped his friend gleefully, on the back. It is such robberies make thees West so colorful to the East-erner," he said, "But now, amigo, I must go to town. You will give my apologies to the so heavenly Senorita Angela?" He winked at Hendry. "Be unafraid for me, mi amigo. My dees-guises, they have yet to be seen through."

IT was almost two hours later. Torres, the Mexican, having had quite a bit to drink, was singing to himself as he lolled against the bar of Mike Frayne's saloon. He felt, rather than saw, the heavy blow on his shoulder.

Mike Frayne, face black with wrath, grasped the shoulder. "What'd I tell you about drink-ing?" he raged. "Get back in here."

They went into the private office. Torres offered no resistance as Frayne punched him, then yanked him upright. "You drunken fool," he roared. "Is this what I'm paying you for? Get out to Pinto Pass and meet the boys. I'm shipping the money in three hours, and there's to be no slip-up. The express company will pay plenty this time." He nodded at a steel-clasped box. "See that you get that box, too," he said. "There's ten thousand dollars in it."

"I go . . . I go . . ." Panic-stricken, the craven Torres slunk hastily out of the room.

It wasn't until he reached the end of town, struck left into a little used road, that a remarkable transformation came over him. The walk became cocky, assured, and the body was wiry, like a tiger cat.

Torres bent over, retrieved a tied and gagged figure from some sagebrush. He removed the gag, and said:

"All right, remember — no noise!"

The figure stood up, in under-

clothing. He watched, shivering, and said: "Quintesa, I pledge I tell nothing. When I see you, do you not know I would not dare reveal your identity?"

Quintesa Doba shed quickly the clothing he had taken to impersonate Torres, and so completely fool Mike Frayne. His eyes narrowed as he spoke to the real Torres. "I want to know everything about this stick-up tonight. Everything! And I want your help."

Torres' teeth chattered in a frightened face. "I tell," he said. "I know you would track me down for the double cross and kill me."

"Good. You are a wise man, Torres. And maybe you get a little of the money for yourself, eh?"

For the first time Torres smiled. This was good. Instead of death, money would silence him. He babbled the plan to Quintesa Doba.

By ten o'clock the golden moon was high. Two men, one wearing a Stetson covering his face almost too much, drove the coach down the dusty road. The other man, small and wiry, held a shotgun. The driver spoke: "They are waiting there."

The man holding the shotgun nodded. "Let is good." He laughed. "Theenk of thees, Quintesa Doba being held up willingly."

They were approaching the rendezvous now. Suddenly, a band of horsemen sprang out, pointed guns at the coach. The driver reined in.

The bandits all were masked. "Don't move," the leader warned. "Drop that shotgun and throw down the express box!"

Quintesa Doba hurried to obey, meantime, yelling at the driver. "See, they even knew we started early, you fool!"

He threw down the box. The horses lurched forward, the stage careening madly following the slapping of the lead horse's flanks by a bandit. In a moment, the bandits had melted into the night.

A mile away, the coach

paused. Quintesa Doba was laughing, tears rolling down his face. Even Torres, his accomplice was smiling. They Clam-bored down, hid the coach off the road. Quintesa's pinto was where Hendry had tethered it.

"And now, Torres," Quintesa said. "We wait for the real stage. Then you go back to town, and be drunk. That is your alibi. I shall see, when I hold up the stage, that you get a share of the money." He nodded. "This is a very clever thing I am doing, if it is timed right." He looked at Torres' puzzled face. "Do you not see, stupid, that Mike Frayne's men will bring the money an hour earlier, and Frayne will spread word that the coach was held up at ten? But the real coachmen will have a different story; for they'll be held up in an hour."

Promptly at eleven, the real stage rolled down the road. In three minutes, Quintesa Doba had Mike Frayne's guilty gold. A half hour later, to a stunned, almost unbelieving Sam Hendry, he was telling the story. Hendry gasped: "So Frayne's been behind it all the time. But what of this gold?"

Quintesa Doba smiled happily. "First, amigo, feel sure Frayne will no longer rob. In a very little while, he will have mucho explainings to make to the Marshall, who I will notify through the express company." He shrugged. "Theese money Frayne deserves to lose. I geeve most of it to you, mi amigo, for the heavenly Angela. You will build her a school."

"It's—it's wonderful," Hendry said. "I—I—don't know what to say. 'Course we ranch-ers will take it. And Angela—"

"She must not know," Quintesa said. He smiled. "Tomorrow, I woo her with my guitar."

"Mi amigo," he cried, concerned. "What is wrong? You are ill?"

"No," Hendry said haltingly, "But I wouldn't unpack that geetar if I was you, Quintesa: Angela went off to Texas on the early stage to marry that cowboy who taught her to ride!"

STARMAN

MORT
MORTON JR.
and
ROUSSEAU

THERE'S NOTHING
NEW UNDER THE SUN...
EXCEPT SOME NEW WRINKLES
IN CROOK-CHASING, AS
DEMONSTRATED BY THE DARK KNIGHT...

STARMAN!

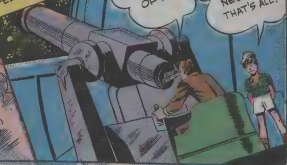
HERE'S THE STORY OF TWO CROOKS
WHO THOUGHT THEIR BULLETS AND
BRAWN COULD WIN THEM A PLACE
IN THE SUN. BUT THEY RECKONED
WITHOUT A YOUTH WHO HAD STARS
IN HIS EYES... AND HIS MENTOR,
THE COURAGEOUS STARMAN...
IN THIS TALE...

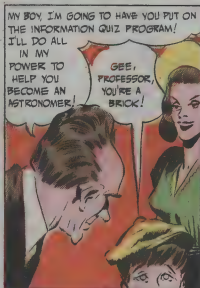
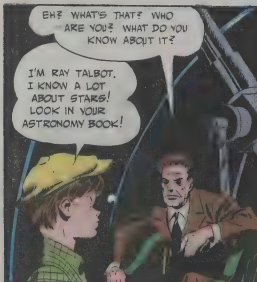
"STARMAN'S LUCKY
STAR!"

AT THE FAMOUS YORK OBSERVATORY, PROFESSOR LELAND BROWN
PEERS INTENTLY THROUGH THE GREAT TELESCOPE...

A NEW STAR!
I'M SURE
OF IT!

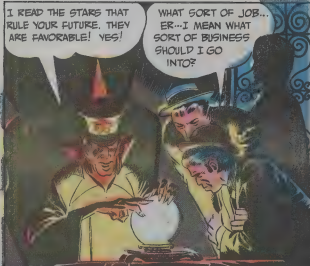
IT ISN'T NEW...
IT WAS
HIDDEN BY A
DISTANT
NEBULUS...
THAT'S ALL!





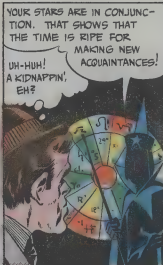
I READ THE STARS THAT
RULE YOUR FUTURE. THEY
ARE FAVORABLE! YES!

WHAT SORT OF JOB...
ER...I MEAN WHAT
SORT OF BUSINESS
SHOULD I GO
INTO?



YOUR STARS ARE IN CONJUNC-
TION. THAT SHOWS THAT
THE TIME IS RIPE FOR
MAKING NEW
ACQUAINTANCES!

UH-HUH!
A KIDNAPPIN',
EH?



YOU SEE HOW EASY IT IS?
IF THEM STARS FAVOR
YOU, YOU'RE
ALL SET!

THERE
MAY BE
SOMETHIN'
TO IT AT
THAT!



THE NEXT NIGHT, TED KNIGHT AND
DORIS LEE ATTEND THE BROADCAST OF THE
INFORMATION QUIZ PROGRAM...

BUT I DON'T
UNDERSTAND
YOUR INTEREST
IN THIS BOY-
GENIUS!

HE KNOWS EVERYTHING
ABOUT STARS. AND
I-ER...AM INTERESTED
IN THEM MYSELF!



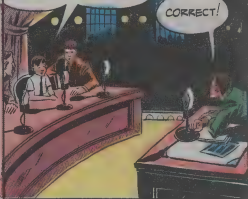
SHE DOESN'T KNOW
I'M STARMAN, SO
WHAT'S MORE NATURAL
THAN AN INTEREST
IN THIS YOUNG
ASTRONOMER...?
BESIDES I'M AN
ASTRONOMER
MYSELF...!



AS QUESTIONS FLY THICK AND FAST, YOUNG
RAY TALBOT LIVES UP TO HIS
REPUTATION...

THE UNIT OF STELLAR-DISTANCE IS THE LIGHT
YEAR. GENERALLY, THE TIME LIGHT TAKES TO
TRAVEL 63,000 TIMES THE DISTANCE OF
THE EARTH TO THE SUN!

CORRECT!

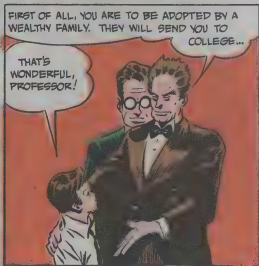


WE HAVE A LITTLE
SURPRISE FOR YOU, RAY!
TWO OF THEM IN FACT!

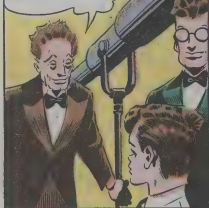


FIRST OF ALL, YOU ARE TO BE ADOPTED BY A
WEALTHY FAMILY. THEY WILL SEND YOU TO
COLLEGE...

THAT'S
WONDERFUL,
PROFESSOR!



THEN THIS TELESCOPE!
IT'S ALL YOURS! YOU
CAN NOW MAKE YOUR
OWN OBSERVATIONS
OF THE STARS!



SUDDENLY, STRANGELY, THE YOUTH SOBS...

A...A TELESCOPE...
SOB-SOB...! AND
I CAN'T USE IT!

HMMM...



THERE, THERE RAY, DON'T TAKE
IT SO HARD!
WE KNOW
HOW GLAD
YOU ARE!

I'M NOT
GLAD...
I'M SORRY!



YOU SEE...
I'M
BLIND!

WHY...WHY...
I NEVER
GUESSED!

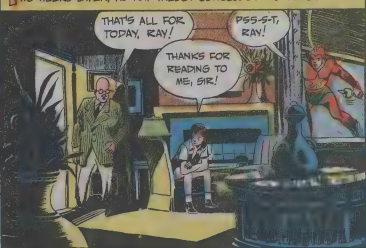


TWO WEEKS LATER, AS RAY TALBOT CONCLUDES HIS LESSONS...

THAT'S ALL FOR
TODAY, RAY!

PSS-S-T,
RAY!

THANKS FOR
READING TO
ME, SIR!



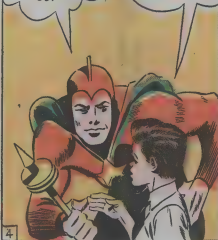
DO YOU LIKE IT
HERE IN YOUR
NEW HOME?

OH, YES MR. CORD
TREATS ME SWEET.
I'M LEARNING MORE
AND MORE. BUT
WHO ARE YOU?



I AM THE **STARMAN**.
THAT'S WHY I'M SO
CURIOUS ABOUT
YOU!

LET ME SEE
YOUR GRAVITY
ROD, PLEASE!



I WON'T TELL
ANYONE...BUT
I KNOW A WAY
TO PREVENT
YOUR ROD
FROM
WORKING!

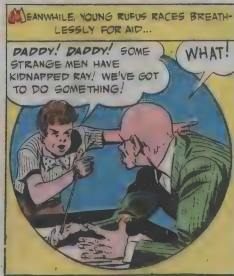
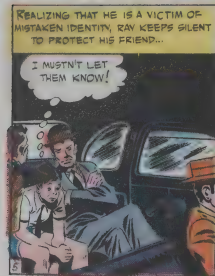
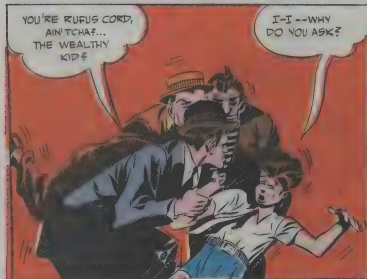
YOU DO?





A WEEK LATER, AS RAY AND YOUNG RUFUS CORD PLAY ON THE LAWN...

ONE OF THEM'S THAT WEALTHY CORD KID, THAT'S THE ONE I'M GONNA KIDNAP.



ELSEWHERE, TED KNIGHT CONSULTS WITH THE ASTRONOMY PROFESSOR...

THAT SCHOLARSHIP GIVEN TO RAY WILL BE MIGHTY HELPFUL...
...IF ONLY HE COULD SEE TO ENJOY ALL THE BENEFITS!

I THOUGHT PERHAPS AN OPERATION...
OH!...



OH-OH-MY HEART!

GOT TO GET AWAY SOMEHOW! WOODLEY ALLEN'S JUST SOUNDED HIS CALL FOR HELP!

HE'S HAD A HEART ATTACK!

I'LL SEND HIM HOME IN MY CAR!



IN THE SECURITY OF THE HUGE LIMOUSINE, THE SCARLET SCOURGE OF THE UNDERWORLD EMERGES...

WONDER WHAT'S ON ALLEN'S MIND THIS TIME?



IT ISN'T AS THOUGH THEY'D TAKEN CORD'S BOY. CORD COULD PAY. BUT WHEN THOSE RATS DISCOVER HOW RAY TRICKED THEM...THEY MIGHT HURT HIM!

I'LL GO AFTER HIM... AND THEM, TOO!



LATER...A GRIM FORM ROCKETS ACROSS THE STAR-LADEN SKY...

IF I ONLY KNEW WHICH GANG HAD KIDNAPPED HIM!



MEANWHILE RAY TALBOT FINDS HIMSELF IN A LARGE HOUSE. USING HIS SENSITIVE FINGERS FOR EYES, HE SOON MAKES HIMSELF FAMILIAR WITH HIS ROOM...

CAN I BELIEVE MY FINGERS? IS IT REALLY A SUN LAMP?



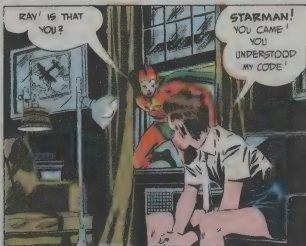
THE ULTRA-VIOLET RAYS OF THIS LAMP WILL CARRY A GOOD DISTANCE!
IF THEY REACH STARMAN'S GRAVITY ROD, THEY WILL SHUT OFF ITS POWER!



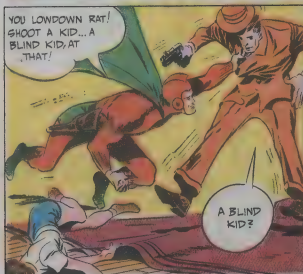
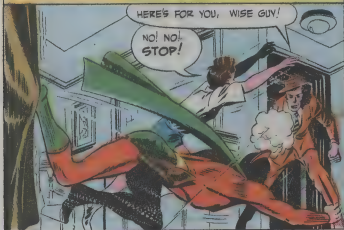
ABRUPTLY, WITHOUT WARNING, STARMAN'S FLIGHT ENDS...HE PLUMMETS EARTHWARD HELPLESS...

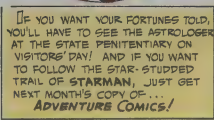
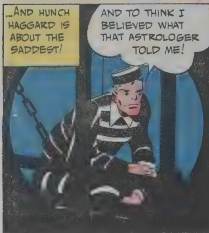
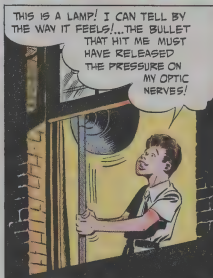
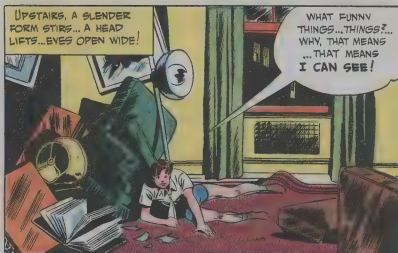
SOMETHING'S HAPPENED TO MY GRAVITY ROD!





AND THE CRIMSON CRIME-CRUSHER FALLS HEAVILY...THE THUNDER-
OUS ROAR OF A GUN CRASHES NEAR HIM!





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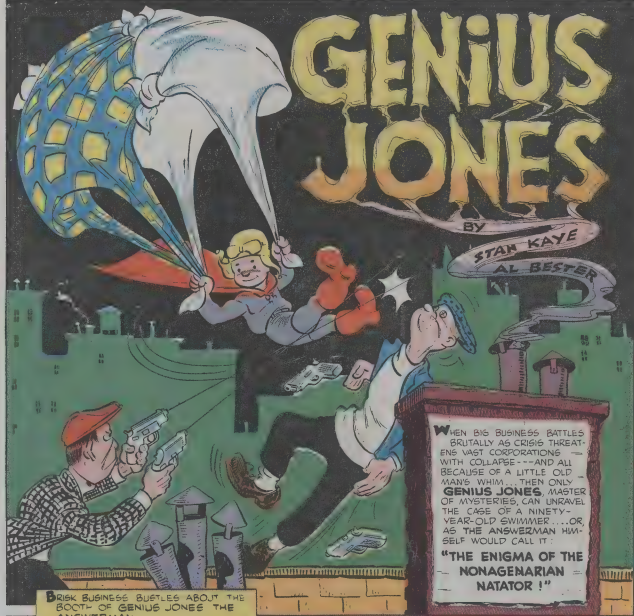
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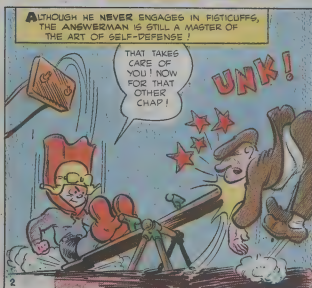
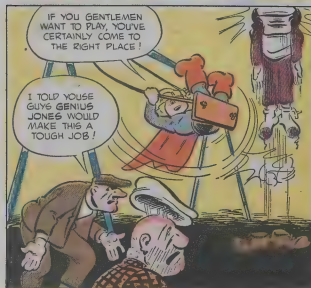
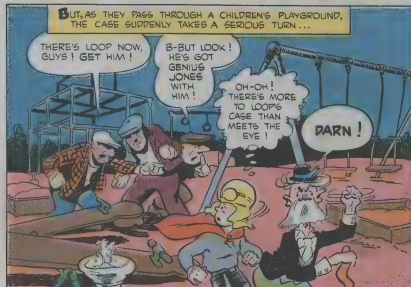
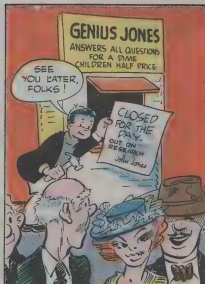
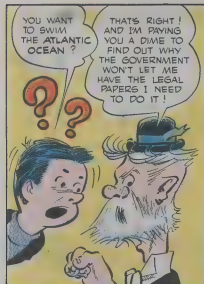


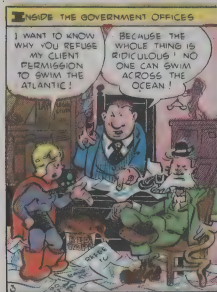
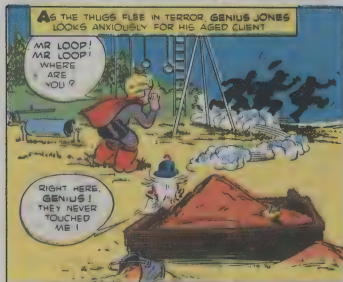
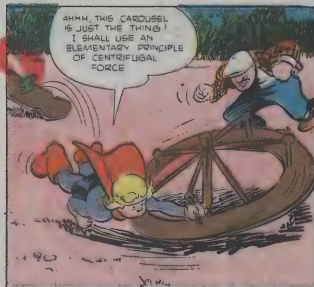
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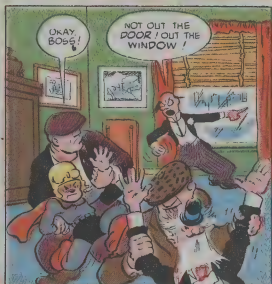
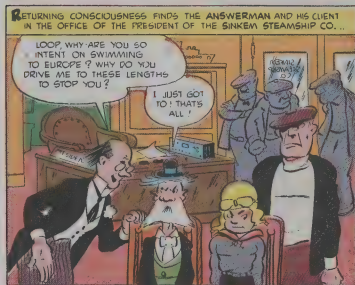


I'M ELFONZO LOOP!
I WANT TO KNOW
WHY THEY WON'T
LET ME SWIM
THE ATLANTIC!

WUXTRY!
GENIUS JONES
DOES IT AGAIN!
GETCHA!
POIPA!







1 FROM A WINDOW ON THE 73RD FLOOR, THE ANSWERMAN AND HIS CLIENT ARE THRUST INTO SPACE...

SABOTEURS OF HONEST INDUSTRY! PLUNGE TO YOURS DEATHS!

SIR, YOU'LL LIVE TO REGRET THIS HASTY ACTION!



2 DOWN... DOWN THEY HURTLE AT A SICKENING SPEED!

FAREWELL, GENIUS JONES! I HAVE LIVED IN VAIN! I HAVE NOT SWUM THE ATLANTIC!

LOOP! DON'T GIVE UP! GRAB HOLD OF MY LEG!



3 GENIUS JONES' HANDS GNATCH AT AN OFFICE WINDOW AS THEY FALL...

I'M TRYING!

D-DO YOU TH-THINK YOU CAN SAVE US?

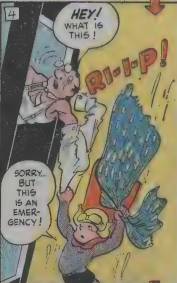


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HEY! WHAT IS THIS!

RI-I-P!

SORRY... BUT THIS IS AN EMERGENCY!



5

I BEG YOUR PARDON, MA'AM



6 SPLIT SECONDS TO SPARE! AND THE ANSWERMAN TIES QUICK KNOTS IN THE CLOTH...

HURRY UP! GENIUS! ONLY TEN MORE FLOORS TO GO!

ALL SET, NOW!



7

...AND PRESTO!
A HOME-MADE PARACHUTE!

YOU'VE SAVED US! YOU'RE WONDERFUL!

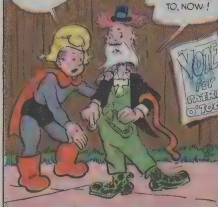
A MERE TRIFLE! I HAPPEN TO BE AN EXPERT IN THE LAW OF AERODYNAMICS!



SAFE AT LAST ON MOTHER EARTH...

NOW, LOOP,
AS I WAS
SAYING
ABOUT--

HERE'S A DIME,
GENIUS! I'M PAYING
YOU TO HELP ME MAKE
THE SWIM!
YOU'VE GOT
TO, NOW!



I'M GOING TO START
FROM CONEY ISLAND
BECAUSE IT'S CLOSER
TO EUROPE THAN
THE BATTERY!
I'LL SAVE
TWO MILES...

MY HANDS ARE
TIED! HE PAID
ME! I'VE GOT
TO HELP HIM...
PRACTICALLY
COMMIT SUICIDE!
WHAT TO DO?



BOSS! GENIUS JONES
AND LOOP ESCAPED!
YEAH, I JUST SEEN 'EM...
WHAT? YEAH... FROM
CONEY ISLAND... YEAH...
I GETCHA, BOSS!

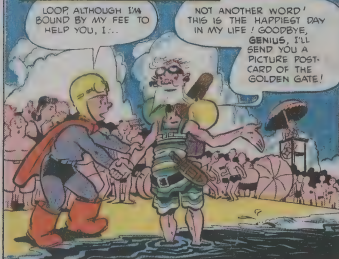
TELEPHONE



ON THE BEACH AT CONEY ISLAND...

LOOP ALTHOUGH I'M
BOUND BY MY FEE TO
HELP YOU, I...

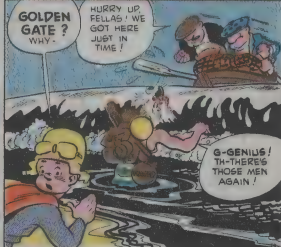
NOT ANOTHER WORD!
THIS IS THE HAPPIEST DAY
IN MY LIFE! GOODBYE,
GENIUS, I'LL
SEND YOU A PICTURE POST-
CARD OF THE GOLDEN GATE!



SUDDENLY STRUCK WITH A STARTLING THOUGHT, THE ANSWERMAN IS UNAWARE OF AN ATTACKING FORCE...

GOLDEN
GATE?
WHY...

HURRY UP
FELLAS! WE
GOT HERE
JUST IN
TIME!



YOU'VE GOT TO HELP ME,
GENIUS! I P-PAID
YOU TO HELP ME!

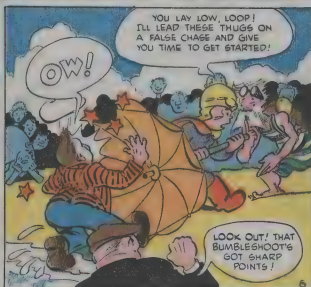
I'LL HELP
YOU,
ELFONZO!

AFTER
HIM!

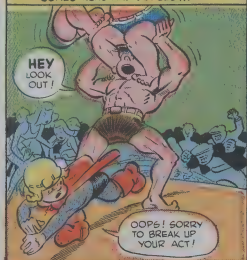


YOU LAY LOW, LOOP!
I'LL LEAD THESE THUGS ON
A FALSE CHASE AND GIVE
YOU TIME TO GET STARTED!

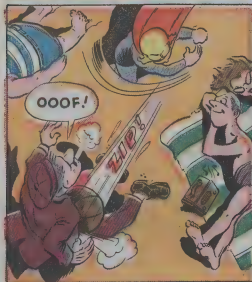
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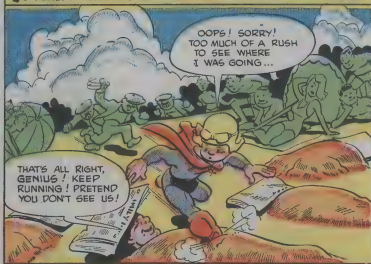
LIKE A BIT OF QUICK-SILVER, GENIUS JONES RUNS AND DODGES...



ANYTHING TO KEEP THE THUGS PREOCCUPIED AND GIVE ELFONZO LOOP HIS CHANCE...



SUDDENLY A TYPICAL BEACH INCIDENT HAS ASTONISHING RESULTS...

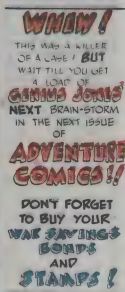
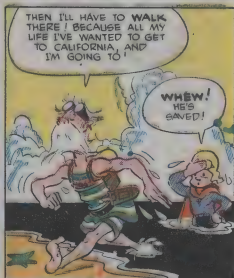
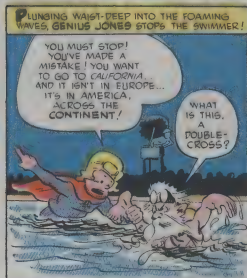
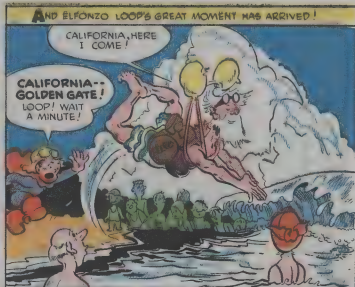


HUSKY MEN ERUPT FROM THE SAND LIKE VOLCANOES!



AND STALWART FIGHTERS FALL UPON THE ANSWERMAN'S ENEMIES...





The SHINING KNIGHT

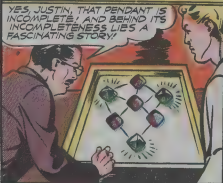


SEVEN PRECIOUS PIECES OF
STONE! FOR LONG SILENT
CENTURIES THEY LAY COLD
AND NEGLECTED... UNTIL
CHANCE DISCOVERY LIFTED
THEM FROM THEIR RESTING
PLACE TO AMAZE A NATION
WITH THEIR BEAUTY. THEN
GREED AND SELFISHNESS
SEPARATED THEM... AND
INCOMPLETE, THE PENDANT
THAT HAD LONG AGO ADORN-
ED THE THROAT OF A ROYAL
RULER WAS ONCE MORE
FORGOTTEN... UNTIL AT
LAST THE SHINING KNIGHT,
WITH GLITTERING SWORD
AND GLEAMING LANCE,
UNDERTOOK THE QUEST
THAT WOULD BRING THEM
TOGETHER AGAIN IN---

**"THE ADVENTURE
OF THE
QUEEN'S JADES:"**

IN THE HALL OF ANTIQUES AT THE CITY MUSEUM LIE THREE PIECES OF JADE...

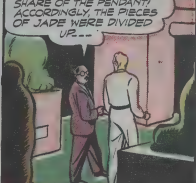
YES, JUSTIN, THAT PENDANT IS INCOMPLETE! AND BEHIND ITS INCOMPLETENESS LIES A FASCINATING STORY!



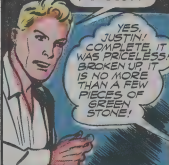
IT BELONGED ORIGINALLY TO THE EGYPTIAN QUEEN TOTATHOTHMES! IT WAS RECOVERED BY AN EXPEDITION FINANCED BY THIS MUSEUM AND FOUR WEALTHY MEN...



THERE WAS AN ARGUMENT, AND EACH MAN CLAIMED A SHARE OF THE PENDANT! ACCORDINGLY, THE PIECES OF JADE WERE DIVIDED UP...

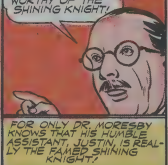


BUT DIDN'T THAT RUIN THE PENDANT'S VALUE, DR. MORESBY?



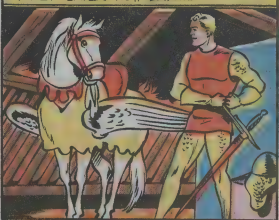
YES, JUSTIN! COMPLETE, IT WAS PRICELESS! BROKEN UP, IT IS NO MORE THAN A FEW PIECES OF GREEN STONE!

COMPLETING IT AGAIN WOULD BE A TASK WORTHY OF THE SHINING KNIGHT!



FOR ONLY DR. MORESBY KNOWS THAT HIS HUMBLE ASSISTANT, JUSTIN, IS REALLY THE FAMED SHINING KNIGHT!

AND ONCE AGAIN JUSTIN'S EYES GLOW AT THE PROSPECT OF GLAMOROUS ADVENTURE! LATER THAT DAY...

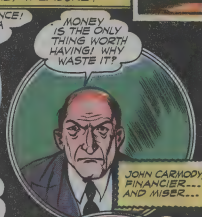


FOUR HEADSTRONG, GREEDY MEN, EACH STUBBORN AND SELF-CENTERED, CAN EVEN THE KNIGHT PERSUADE THEM TO PART WITH THE JADES THEY TREASURE?



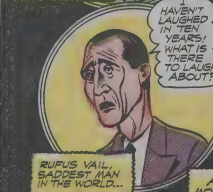
YOU ONLY LIVE ONCE! WHY NOT HAVE A GOOD TIME?

HAROLD CRANE, SPENDTHIFT AND PLAYBOY...



MONEY IS THE ONLY THING WORTH HAVING! WHY WASTE IT?

JOHN CARMODY, FINANCIER... AND MISER...



I HAVEN'T LAUGHED IN TEN YEARS! WHAT IS THERE TO LAUGH ABOUT?

RUFUS VAIL, SADDEST MAN IN THE WORLD...



I DON'T BELIEVE IN TAKING ANYTHING TOO SERIOUSLY! LIVE AND LET LIVE IS MY MOTTO!

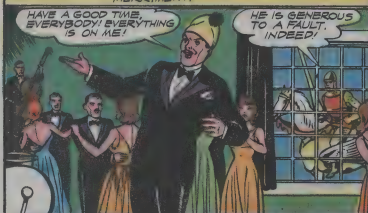
AND FINALLY, MORTON MIDDLETON, MAN OF THE WORLD

AWAY ON WINGED VICTORY SOARS THE SHINING KNIGHT TO BEGIN HIS LATEST QUEST...



LET US TRY CRANE FIRST! HE VALUES NOTHING! MAYHAPS HE WILL GIVE ME THE JADE FOR THE ASKING!

AT CRANE'S HOME, SIR JUSTIN FINDS A SCENE OF MAD MERRIMENT!



HAVE A GOOD TIME, EVERYBODY! EVERYTHING IS ON ME!

HE IS GENEROUS TO A FAULT, INDEED!

MAYBE THESE DIAMONDS WILL MAKE YOUR FOOD TASTE BETTER!

AND I ASK BUT FOR A PALTRY PIECE OF JADE! RIGHT SPEEDILY, I WAGER, WILL HE GRANT MY REQUEST!



APPROACHING THE PROFLIGATE PLAYBOY, THE KNIGHT MAKES KNOWN THE OBJECT OF HIS QUEST:



PRITHEE, SIR, I COME TO BEG A BOON OF THEE... A PIECE OF JADE FROM THE PENDANT OF QUEEN TOTATHOTHMES...

THAT PIECE OF JADE?

I INTEND TO KEEP THAT, KNIGHT! BUT ANYTHING ELSE I OWN IS YOURS! WAITER, CHAMPAGNE FOR THE SHINING KNIGHT!



NAY, AND IF IT PLEASES YOU, I WOULD PREFER AN ICE CREAM SUNDAE! BUT AS FOR THAT PIECE OF JADE...

I KNOW I'M A SPENDTHRIFT! MONEY MEANS NOTHING TO ME! BUT WHEN EVERYTHING ELSE IS GONE, I'M STILL GOING TO HAVE THAT PIECE OF JADE! UNLESS...

AH, THERE IS DOUBT IN THY MIND!



UNLESS YOU CAN PERSUADE THAT GIRL, ALICE MARSDEN, TO MARRY ME! DO THAT, KNIGHT, AND THE PIECE OF JADE IS YOURS!

ALAS, TO CHANGE A WOMAN'S MIND WAS BEYOND EVEN MERLIN'S POWERS! NONE THE LESS CAN I BUT TRY!



ALTHOUGH FEARING THE TASK IS HOPELESS, THE KNIGHT APPROACHES MISS MARSDEN...



I COME, FAIR MAID, TO URGE THEE TO MARRY HAROLD CRANE! HE IS A GENEROUS YOUNG MAN...

TOO GENEROUS, KNIGHT! HE THROWS MONEY AWAY! I LIKE HIM, BUT I DON'T LOVE HIM! AND I WON'T MARRY HIM!

APPARENTLY DEFEATED, THE KNIGHT RIDES DOLEFULLY AWAY... BUT IN HIS MIND A PLAN FORMS VAGUELY.---



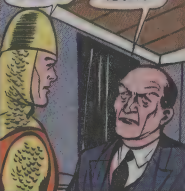
SOON, I HOPE, WILL I CHANGE THIS MAIDEN'S MIND! MEANTIME, MUST I VISIT THE MISERLY MAN OF WEALTH!

DISMOUNTING BEFORE A DINGY AND MISERABLE HOVEL, THE KNIGHT KNOCKS AT THE DOOR---



I SEEK NO GO AWAY! I KEEP MY MONEY TO MYSELF!

BUT IN SOOTH AM I A BEGGAR! THAT I SEEK YOUR THING? I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU... I SEEK OF JADE---



PROVIDED YOU GET MY SON OUT OF JAIL! HE'S BEEN THERE FIVE YEARS! AND SINCE THE DAY THE JAIL DOORS CLOSED ON HIM, I BECAME A MISER!

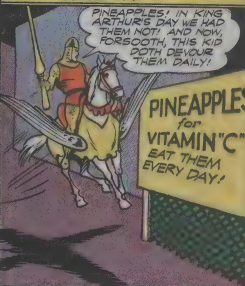


ALAS, IF HE IS GUILTY THE LAW MUST PUNISH HIM! I CAN NOT HELP THEE!



BUT HE IS INNOCENT, KNIGHT! HE WAS FRAMED BY THE PINEAPPLE KID AND HIS GANG!

TO HELP THE INNOCENT AND PUNISH THE GUILTY IS THE SHINING KNIGHT'S MISSION! HE RIDES OFF IN SEARCH OF THE PINE-APPLE KID!



PINEAPPLES! IN KING ARTHUR'S DAY WE HAD THEM NOT! AND NOW, FORSOOTH, THIS KID DOTHS DEVOUR THEM DAILY!

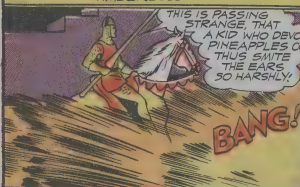
IN THE CRIME-BREEDING SLUMS, THE KNIGHT FINDS THE TRAIL OF THE MAN HE SEEKS---



MANY THANKS! I WOULD SEE THIS KID WITH A FONDNESS FOR VITAMIN "C"!



SOON, FROM AROUND THE CORNER, COMES THE CRASH OF AN EXPLOSION! THERE IS THE SOUND OF SHATTERING GLASS, OF FALLING TIMBERS---

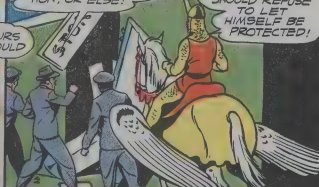


THIS IS PASSING STRANGE, THAT A KID WHO DEVOURS PINEAPPLES COULD THUS SMITE THE EARS SO HARSHLY!

BANG!

THIS'LL LEARN THAT GUY! EITHER HE LETS US GIVE HIM PROTECTION, OR ELSE!

EVEN MORE STRANGE IT IS THAT A MAN SHOULD REFUSE TO LET HIMSELF BE PROTECTED!



THE PINEAPPLE KID BECOMES AWARE OF AN INTRUDER!

THIS GUY'S BUTTIN' IN, SPARROW! BLOW HIM UP WITH A PINEAPPLE!

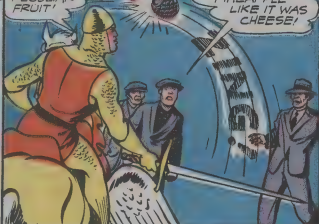
THIS KID IS GENEROUS WITH HIS GIFTS! BUT I LIKE NOT THE APPEARANCE OF YON PINEAPPLE!



MERLIN'S MAGIC SWORD SLASHES THROUGH THE "PINEAPPLE", CUTTING THE FUSE AWAY FROM THE EXPLOSIVE---

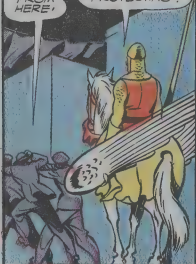
THUS I CUT A SLICE OF THIS PECULIAR FRUIT!

KID, HE CUT THROUGH THAT PINEAPPLE LIKE IT WAS CHEESE!



SPARROW, IT'S TIME FOR US TO FLY AWAY FROM HERE!

THEY FLEE BUT WHERE IS THE MAN THEY WERE "PROTECTING"?

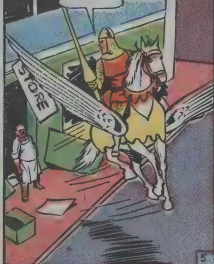


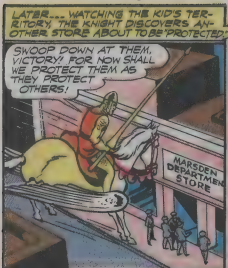
GOOD FRIEND, A LITTLE MORE SUCH "PROTECTION" AND THOU WOULD HAVE BEEN A DEAD MAN!

IF I DON'T PAY THEM, KNIGHTS, THEY'LL COME BACK WITH ANOTHER PINEAPPLE AND FINISH THE JOB THEY STARTED!



FEAR NOT, FRIEND! THE KID WILL FIND THAT THERE ARE OTHER FRUITS HE CAN NOT DIGEST SO WELL!





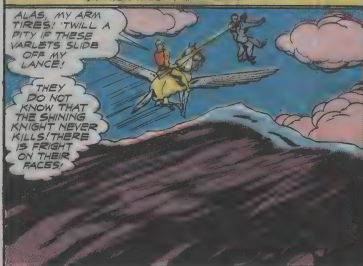
AS THE FIGHTING KNIGHT DEMORALIZES THE THIEVES, A GROUP OF KIDS CHEERS HIM ON... AND BRONX CHEERS HIS OPPONENTS!

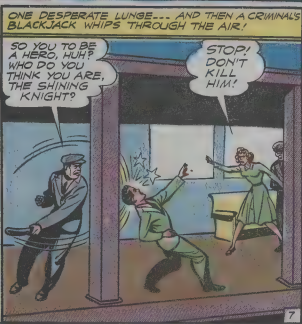
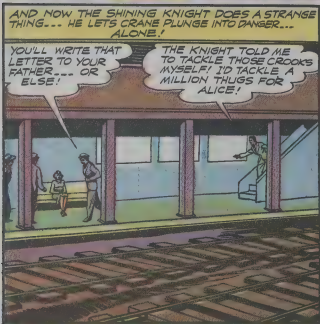
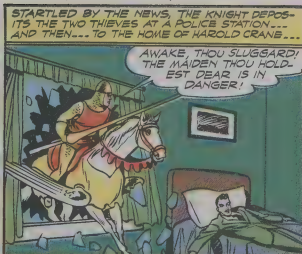
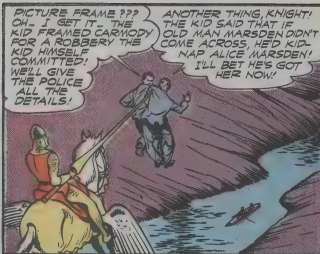


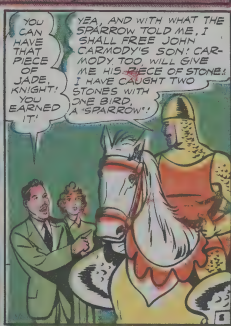
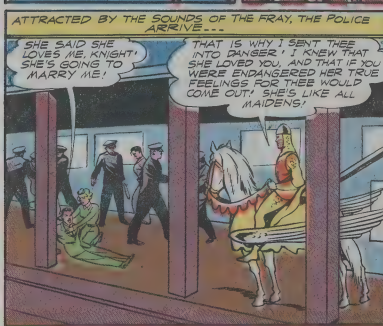
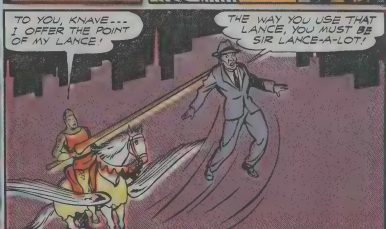
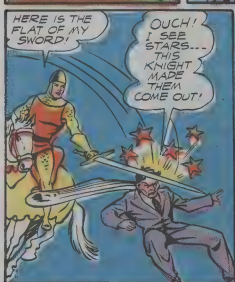
BUT IN THE CONFUSION, THE KID SUCCEEDS IN MAKING HIS ESCAPE!



VICTORY HEADS AT DIZZYING, TERRIFYING SPEED FOR A HIGH MOUNTAIN PEAK!







AND NOW THE KNIGHT SEEKS
RUFUS VAIL... SADDEST MAN
IN THE WORLD...

THIS MAN SPREADS SADNESS
AROUND HIM! EVEN THE DOG
APPEARS OVERWHELMED
BY SORROW!

MR. VAIL WILL
SEE YOU, SIR!
GULP!

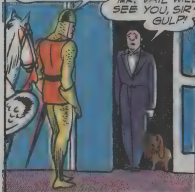
A MOMENT LATER... IN THE PRESENCE
OF THE GLOOMY RUFUS VAIL, EVEN THE
KNIGHT FEELS INCLINED TO WEEP!

IT'S A SAD
WORLD! A
GLOOMY WORLD!
A MISERABLE
WORLD! WHY,
I WONDER,
DO I GO ON
LIVING?

I FEEL A LUMP
IN MY OWN THROAT,
BUT I MUST PUT
AWAY SUCH
THOUGHTS!

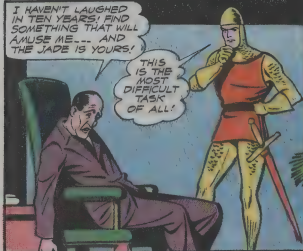
AND SO THE KNIGHT MAKES
HIS USUAL REQUEST FOR THE
PIECE OF JADE...

I SHALL GIVE YOU
THE JADE, KNIGHT...
ON ONE CONDITION!
YOU MUST MAKE ME
LAUGH!



I HAVEN'T LAUGHED
IN TEN YEARS! FIND
SOMETHING THAT WILL
AMUSE ME... AND
THE JADE IS YOURS!

THIS
IS THE
MOST
DIFFICULT
TASK
OF ALL!



UNWILLING TO ADMIT DEFEAT, THE KNIGHT REVERTS
TO VARIOUS STRATEGIES TO MAKE VAIL LAUGH!

HO, HO! EVEN THE SURLY
SIR KAY WOULD HAVE
LAUGHED AT THESE
CLOWNS I HAVE
HIRED!

THESE POOR MEN
ARE NOT FUNNY!

THEY ARE
TRAGIC FIGURES,
MAKING FOOL OF
THEMSELVES FOR
A LIVING! I
WEEP FOR
THEM!



I'LL MOW 'IM DOWN!
I'LL MARALYZE... I MEAN
I'LL PARALYZE... I MEAN
I'LL PULVERIZE 'IM!

VIOLENCE,
VIOLENCE,
EVERY ONE
SPEAKS OF
VIOLENCE!
WHAT A
SAD
WORLD!



FINALLY, IN DESPERATION... THE KNIGHT
HITS ON A NOVEL SCHEME!

I HAVE TRIED TO MAKE
THEE LAUGH, BUT IN VAIN!
NOW SHALT THOU TRY TO
MAKE AN AUDIENCE
LAUGH!

BUT I CAN'T...
I DON'T
KNOW
ANYTHING
FUNNY...



IMPOSSIBLE AS IT SEEMS, RUFUS VAIL FINDS THAT HE HAS AN AUDIENCE HARDER TO MAKE LAUGH THAN HIMSELF!



BUT DESPITE HIMSELF, RUFUS VAIL, IN ORDER TO QUIET THE BAWLING BABE, SOON MAKES A DESPERATE EFFORT TO BE FUNNY!



LOOK, FUNNY FACES! TELL HIM SOME FUNNY STORIES! THOUGH HE UNDERSTANDS THEM NOT, PERHAPS WILL HE FIND THEM AMUSING!



THERE WERE ONCE A COUPLE OF IRISHMEN NAMED PAT AND MIKE--- IT SEEMS THAT PAT...

THAT JEST IS ANCIENT! I HEARD IT IN KING ARTHUR'S TIME!

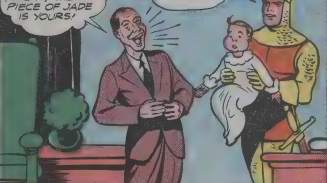


SUDDENLY... VAIL GUFFAWS WITH LAUGHTER!

HA, HA! BOY, DID I PUT THAT JOKE OVER?

H/A, HA! CAN I TELL THEM! KNIGHT, THE PIECE OF JADE IS YOURS!

I THOUGHT THIS STRATAGEM WOULD SUCCEED! A MAN MAY KEEP A STRAIGHT FACE WHEN HEARING ANOTHER'S JESTS...



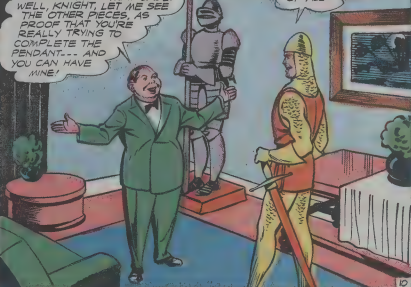
BUT HE WILL ALWAYS LAUGH AT HIS OWN! NOW TO RETURN THIS BABE, AND SEEK THE LAST PIECE OF JADE!



AT THE HOME OF MORTON MIDDLETON---

SO YOU WANT THAT JADE! WELL, KNIGHT, LET ME SEE THE OTHER PIECES, AS PROOF THAT YOU'RE REALLY TRYING TO COMPLETE THE PENDANT... AND YOU CAN HAVE MINE!

THIS IS THE EASIEST TASK OF ALL!



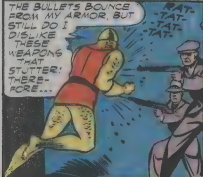
I'VE GOT IT RIGHT
HERE, KNIGHT!
TAKE IT! AND
NOW---



THIS IS FOUL TREACHERY!
AND I AM CAUGHT WITHOUT
MY FAITHFUL SWORD OR
TRUSTY LANCE!



THE BULLETS BOUNCE
FROM MY ARMOR, BUT
STILL DO I
DISLIKE
THESE
WEAPONS
THAT
STUTTER!
THERE-
FORE...



THE
KNIGHT
IS HERE,
SO I GO
TO
SLEEP!



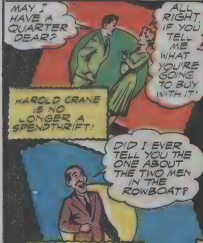
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MANY THANKS,
FELLOW KNIGHT!
THOU HAS
TREATED
THIS BASE
VARLET AS HE
DESERVED!



MAY I
HAVE A
QUARTER
DEAR?

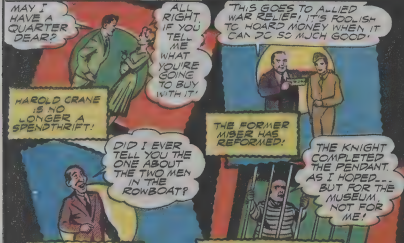
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THIS GOES TO ALLIED
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TO HOARD MONEY WHEN IT
CAN DO SO MUCH GOOD!

THE FORMER
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THE KNIGHT
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AS I HOPED...
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NOT FOR
ME!



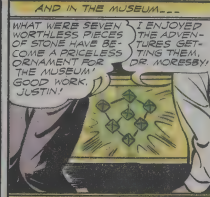
THE SADDEST
MAN IN THE
WORLD HAS BE-
COME THE GAYEST!

AND A MAN OF THE
WORLD HAS BECOME...
A MAN OF A SINGLE
CELL!

AND IN THE MUSEUM...

WHAT WERE SEVEN
WORTHLESS PIECES
OF STONE HAVE BE-
COME A PRICELESS
ORNAMENT FOR
THE MUSEUM!
GOOD WORK,
JUSTIN!

I ENJOYED
THE ADVEN-
TURES GET-
TING THEM,
DR. MORESBY!



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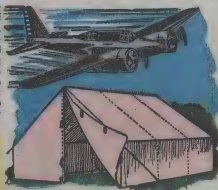
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MANHUNTER



WHEN DARING THUGS RISK LIVES AND LIMB TO STEAL RARE SAVAGE BEASTS FROM THE ZOO OF PAUL KIRK, THEN THE EX-ANIMAL HUNTER MUST TURN MANHUNTER TO SOLVE: "THE CASE OF THE CRYING CAT!"

MATINEE
AT THE
GLOBE
THEATER,
AND THE
WORLD
FAMOUS
MAGOO
PREPARES
HIS
ANIMAL
ACT.

WELL, IT'S
TIME FOR
ME TO GO
ON!

I HOPE YOU
HAVE GOOD LUCK
WITH YOUR ACT,
MAGOO!

WHAT DO
YOU MEAN?

SIMPLY THAT THE LAST
THREE ANIMAL ACTS TO
PLAY OUR CITY HAVE
HAD BAD LUCK.
THE ANIMALS
HAVE DIED!

NONSENSE ... NOTHING'S
GOING TO HAPPEN TO
MY ACT! I'M TOO CAREFUL!
RING UP THE
CURTAIN!

YOU GETTIN' SOFT
ON US, LEFTY?
HURRY UP WITH
THAT AIR-GUN!

MAGOO'S GOT
A WONDERFUL
ANIMAL. SEEMS
A SHAME TO
KILL IT!

MAGOO'S SOLE ACT CONSISTS OF A
TRAINED CHEETAH ... A RARE INDIAN
HUNTING LEOPARD.

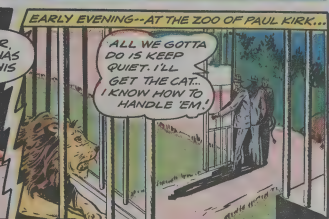
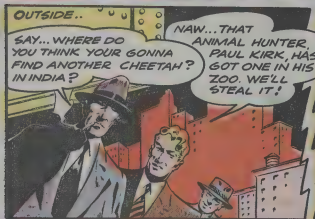
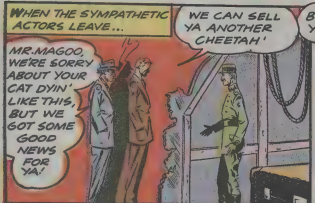
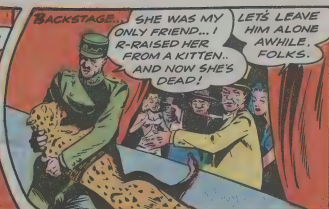
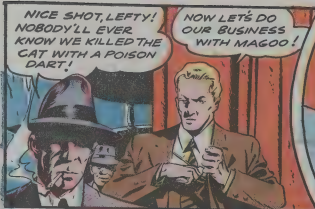
BRAVO!
START THE ACT!
I HEAR MAGOO
PUTS ON A
GOOD SHOW!
HIS ANIMAL IS
WONDERFUL!

AND AS THE ACT ENDS ...

THE
CHEETAH
DROPS
LIFE-
LESSLY
TO THE
STAGE!

MY CHEETAH!
SH-SHE'S
D-DEAD

RING DOWN
THE CURTAIN!
RING IT
DOWN!



INSIDE KIRK'S HOME...

THOSE CATS ARE
RAISING AN AWFUL
ROW... MAYBE STRANGERS
ARE MEDDLING WITH
THE CAGES!

A QUICK CHANGE
OF COSTUME
TURNS PAUL
KIRK, ANIMAL
HUNTER, INTO--
MANHUNTER!

THIS NEEDS
LOOKING INTO... FOUR
OTHER ZOOS IN THE
CITY HAVE BEEN
ROBBED IN THE PAST
THREE MONTHS... IT
CAN'T HAPPEN HERE!

MANHUNTER!

OWWWW!

I KNOW WHAT
THAT LEATHER
LEASH YOU'RE
CARRYING MEANS,
BUT YOU'RE NOT
STEALING ANIM-
ALS FROM KIRK!

I'LL DRILL
YA, MANH--
OH!!!

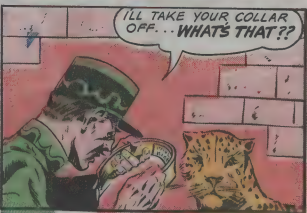
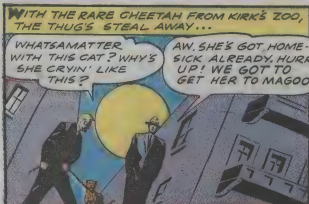
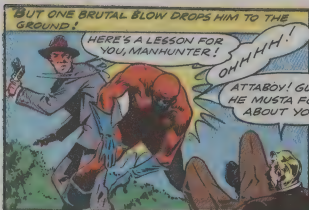
STOP SCREAMING,
YOU TWO! YOU OUGHT
TO BE HAPPY I DON'T
TURN YOU OVER TO
KIRK'S ANIMALS...
THEY WOULDN'T
JUST SPANK!

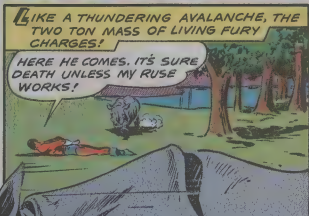
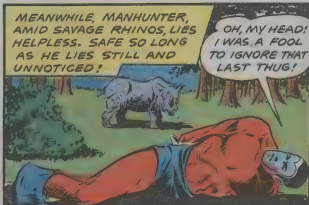
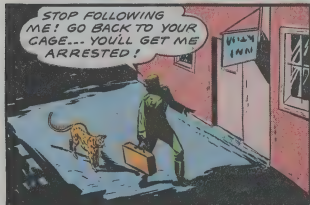
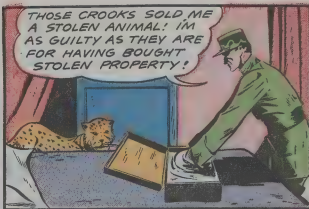
EVEN JUNGLE BEASTS JOIN
MANHUNTER'S CRUSADE
AGAINST HUMAN BEASTS!

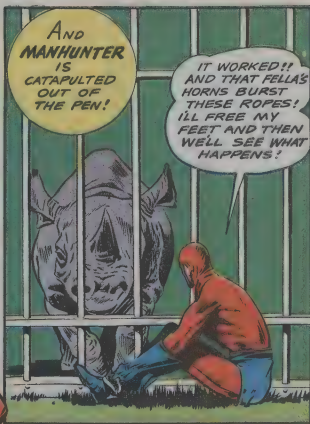
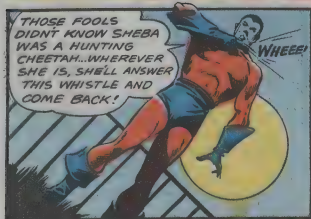
HEY! WHAT'S
GOIN' ON
HERE--?

I GOT A
FEELIN'
I'M FLYIN'!

THIS IS ONLY THE
BEGINNING! A LITTLE DIP
IN THE ALLIGATOR
POND WILL TEACH
YOU THUGS NOT TO
PLAY AROUND
ZOOS!







AS MAGOO TELLS HIS TEARFUL TALE...

HMM! I SEE...THESE CROOKS MURDER RARE, TRAINED ANIMALS AND THEN STEAL NEW ONES TO SELL TO THE OWNERS AT EXORBITANT PRICES!

SO THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED, MANHUNTER?



THOSE THUGS MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT GOING TO A SHOW!

WHY! THERE'S AN ANIMAL ACT PLAYING AT THE HIPPODROME I'D BETTER GET THERE FAST!



LIKE A HUMAN BLOODHOUND, MANHUNTER STREAKS OFF ON THE TRAIL...

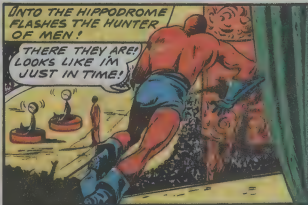
DON'T LET KIRK FIND YOU HANGING AROUND HIS CHEETAH, MAGOO!

I'VE GOT TO!...I MUST KNOW WHY SHE WAS CRYING.



INTO THE HIPPODROME FLASHES THE HUNTER OF MEN!

THERE THEY ARE! LOOKS LIKE I'M JUST IN TIME!



MANHUNTER!

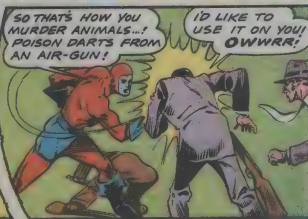
HOW'D YOU GET AWAY!

ENJOYING THE SHOW, FRIENDS?



SO THAT'S HOW YOU MURDER ANIMALS...! POISON DARTS FROM AN AIR-GUN!

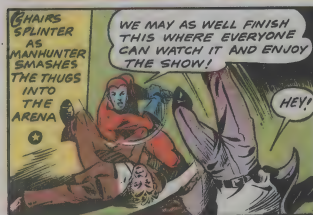
I'D LIKE TO USE IT ON YOU! OWWRR!



CHAIRS SPLINTER AS MANHUNTER SMASHES THE THUGS INTO THE ARENA

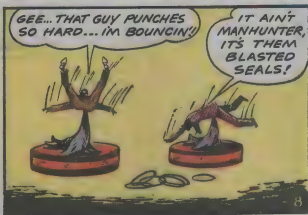
WE MAY AS WELL FINISH THIS WHERE EVERYONE CAN WATCH IT AND ENJOY THE SHOW!

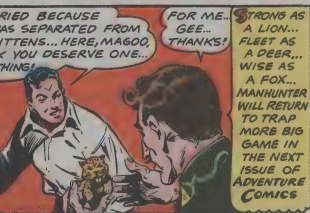
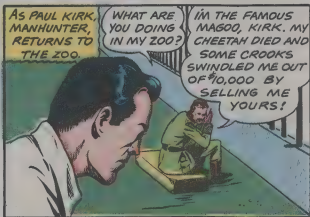
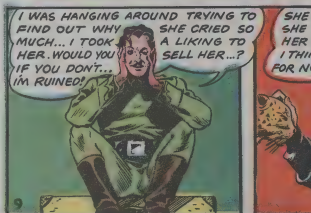
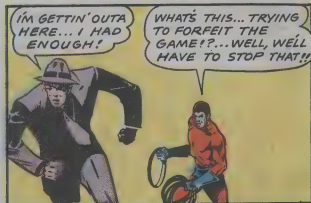
HEY!



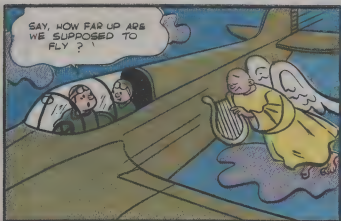
GEE...THAT GUY PUNCHES SO HARD...I'M BOUNCIN'!

IT AIN'T MANHUNTER, IT'S THEM BLASTED SEALS!





GAGS



HURRY! HURRY! THAT'S WHAT I GOTTA DO TO CATCH UP WITH **LEADING No. 4** AND THAT COMPLETE NOVEL-LENGTH YARN FEATURING **GREEN ARROW, VIGILANTE, SHINING KNIGHT, STAR-SPANGLED KID AND CRIMSON AVENGER!**

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Oath of the Trinitarians

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In brief, the oath of the Trinitarians is as follows: "The Trinitarians swear by their God to work and fight and die for the definite separation from the Haitian government and to establish one free and sovereign republic, independent of all foreign domination, that shall be called the Dominican Republic."

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HOURMAN



and

THORNDYKE

by
BERNARD
BAILY..



REX TYLER
CHEMIST

GONE TO LUNCH!
BACK IN
ONE HOUR!

MEMO
FROM : HOURMAN
TO : YOU
SUBJECT : "TIME OUT FOR HITLER!"

THERE HAVE BEEN ALL
KINDS OF HOURS... ZERO
HOURS AND WITCHING
HOURS AND THAT THEATER HOUR
AND THAT THEATER HOUR
BUT DENTIST HOUR WAIT IN
WITH NONE CAN OFFICE;
OF ALL THE CAN COMPARE
THE LUNCH HOUR FAMOUS
AND WHEN HOUR INSTITUTIONS...
SIXTY MINUTE HOURMAN,
TAKES HIS LUTE CRIME-BUSTER,
TO CRACK THE LUNCH HOUR OFF
CENTURY... HE'S REALLY
TAKING... HE'S REALLY
HITLER! "TIME OUT FOR

THIS FIERCE LITTLE MAN IS THORNDYKE, HOURMAN'S PAL! ALTHOUGH HE LOOKS BENT ON SUDDEN DEATH----

LOOK OUT! HERE I COME!

...HE'S ONLY TRYING OUT A BRAND-NEW DIVE AT THE LAVALIER SWIMMING POOL!

WHEE!

BUT WHILE THORNDYKE PLUNGES DEEP INTO BRINY WATERS----

EVERYBODY OUT OF THE WAY---

GET INTO YOUR DIVING SUIT!

YOU! DID YOU NOT HEAR MY ORDERS? GET OUT OF THE POOL!

OUCH! WHAT IS THIS?

HERDED BACK AT PISTOL-POINT, AN AMAZED CROWD WATCHES AN INCREDIBLE SCENE!

HEY, MISTER! YA LOOKING FER ERSTERS?

THERE IS NO TIME TO LOSE! BE QUICK!

SOON--
AHHH! THIS IS TERRIBLE! WE MUST GO TO THE OASIS POOL!

NO---NOTHING! I HAVE NOT FOUND IT!

WHEN THE THUGS DEPART--

I THINK THEM GUYS IS WHACKY-- HEY, THORNDYKE! WHERE YA GOING?

I'M GONNA GET DRESSED AND TELL HOURMAN ABOUT THIS!

TO THE OFFICE OF YOUNG CHEMIST REX TYLER RUSHES THORNDYKE...

REX! HEY, REX! LISTEN, I GOT SOMETHIN' TO TELL YA!

IN A TORRENT OF FEVERISH WORDS,
THE WEIRD STORY COMES POURING
OUT---

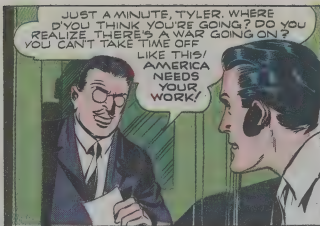
..AND THEN THEY
WENT AWAY TO TH'
OASIS POOL--- WHAT
DO YOU THINK, REX?
WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

I THINK THIS
IS A CASE WED
BETTER LOOK INTO
RIGHT NOW!



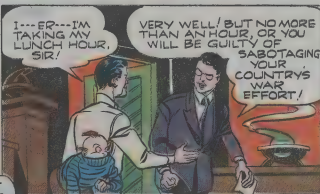
JUST A MINUTE, TYLER. WHERE
D'YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING? DO YOU
REALIZE THERE'S A WAR GOING ON?
YOU CAN'T TAKE TIME OFF

LIKE THIS/
AMERICA
NEEDS
YOUR
WORK!



I---ER---I'M
TAKING MY
LUNCH HOUR,
SIR!

VERY WELL! BUT NO MORE
THAN AN HOUR, OR YOU
WILL BE GUILTY OF
SABOTAGING
YOUR COUNTRY'S
WAR
EFFORT!



MIRACLO---MIRACULOUS POWER--
GIVING RAY, TURNS REX TYLER INTO--
HOUR-MAN, SIXTY-MINUTE CRUSADER!

WELL, THORNDYKE,
I'VE GOT EXACTLY
ONE HOUR TO
CRACK THIS
CASE AND GET
BACK ON MY
JOB!

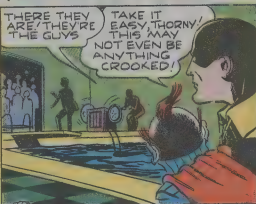
RIGHT
NOW WE
BETTER
WATCH
THEM
THUGS!



A SWIFT
SPRINT
THROUGH
THE HOT
CITY
STREETS
AND THEY
ARRIVE
AT THE
OASIS
SWIMMING
POOL!

THERE THEY
ARE! THEY'RE
THE GUYS

TAKE IT
EASY, THORNY!
THIS MAY
NOT EVEN BE
ANYTHING
CROOKED!

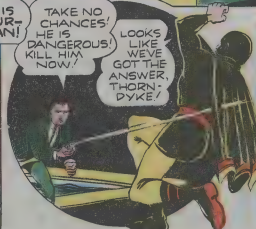


GOOD AFTER-
NOON, GENTLEMEN!
MAY I ASK
EXACTLY
WHAT YOU'RE
DOING HERE?

IT IS
HOUR-
MAN!

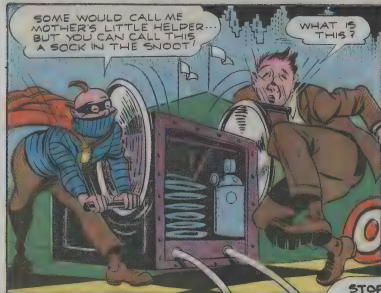
TAKE NO
CHANCES!
HE IS
DANGEROUS!
KILL HIM
NOW!

LOOKS
LIKE
WE'VE
GOT THE
ANSWER,
THORN-
DYKE!

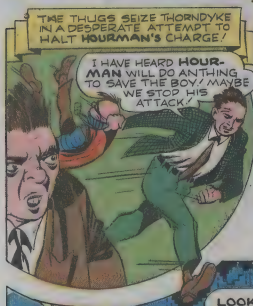
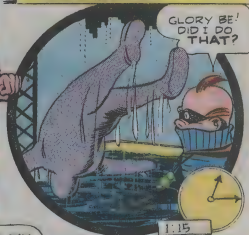


NOW I JUST
SOFTEN THEM
UP FOR THE TWO
DOLLAR QUESTION





THE RUBBER SUIT BEING PUMPED UP WITH POUNDS OF AIR-PRESSURE, THE DIVER IS BLOWN OUT OF THE WATER---



LIGHT AS A BIRD, HOUR-MAN LAUNCHES HIMSELF FROM THE SPRINGBOARD--



WE'VE GOT TO GET A LINE ON THESE THUGS AND--AH, I'VE GOT IT!

YOU GOT WHAT? WHERE WE GOIN'?



DOWN TO THE CLUTTERED DOCKS AND WHARFS THE CITY HARBOR HOURMAN HURTLES---

WHAT'S THIS PLACE, H.M.? WHAT'S A CHANDLER?

A CHANDLER IS A MAN WHO DEALS IN SEA-GOING SUPPLIES! AND THIS HAPPENS TO BE THE ONLY PLACE IN TOWN WHERE THUGS COULD GET A DIVING SUIT!

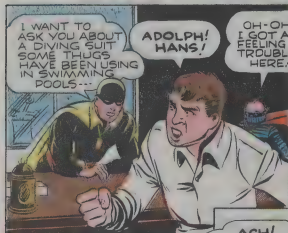
SHIP'S CHANDLER



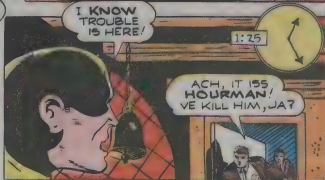
I WANT TO ASK YOU ABOUT A DIVING SUIT SOME THUGS HAVE BEEN USING IN SWIMMING POOLS---

ADOLPH! HANS!

OH-OH! I GOT A FEELING TROUBLE'S HERE!



I KNOW TROUBLE IS HERE!



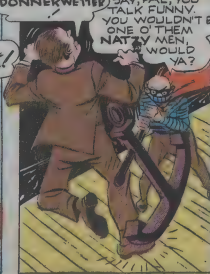
ACH, IT IS HOURMAN! WE KILL HIM, JA?

SUPPOSE YOU DON'T KILL ME, JA?

UNK!

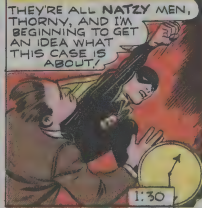
ACH! DONNERWETTER!


SAY, PAL, YOU TALK FUNNY. YOU WOULDN'T BE ONE O' THEM NATZY MEN, WOULD YA?



LIKE A SUPER-SPEED PRECISION FIGHTING MACHINE, HOURMAN LASHES OUT--FOR ALREADY HALF OF HIS LUNCH HOUR IS GONE!


THEY'RE ALL NATZY MEN, THORNY, AND I'M BEGINNING TO GET AN IDEA WHAT THIS CASE IS ABOUT!





A LITTLE COAT
OF TAR WOULDN'T
HURT THEM,
THOUGH, WOULD
IT, H.M.!

...
BLUE-CLAD
FIGURES
SUDDENLY
CROWD
INTO
THE
SHOP...
.....



AH, THE POLICE,
AND JUST IN
TIME! WE'VE
GOT BUSINESS
ELSEWHERE!

OKEY-DOKEY,
COPPERS,
YOU CAN
TAKE OVER
NOW!

BUT AN ASTOUNDING BARRAGE OF
BLOWS BLUDGEONS THE PARALYZED
PAIR TO THE GROUND!

GEDT THEM

Ooooo... THEY'RE
FAKE

VE GOT
THEM!

QUICK!
BRING THEM
BACK HERE!

HOURLMAN!
HOW
DID
HE--?

NEVER
MIND HIM!
TELL ME
WHAT
HAPPENED!

JA, HERR
BARON!
IT WAS A
GOODT THING
VE VERE
BREPARED
FOR DIS
KIND OF
EMERGENCY
JA?

NO SUCCESS,
HERR BARON!
WE FOUND
NOTHING! YOU
WILL HAVE TO
CONTACT OUR
U-BOAT AGAIN,
AND GET MORE
INFORMATION!

CRACKLING AND
HISSING, A SHORT-
WAVE TRANSMITTER
PICKS UP A NAZI U-
BOAT FAR OUT AT SEA--

CALLING U-69!
CALLING U-69!
MUST HAVE MORE
INFORMATION ABOUT
SECRET ORDERS DROPPED
BY YOUR PLANE-- COME
IN PLEASE!

CALLING BARON
GLANTZ! AS WE SAID
BEFORE, THE ORDERS
UNFORTUNATLY MISSED
THE PROPER TARGET
AND FELL INTO A SMALL
BODY OF WATER
SURROUNDED BY
TREES!

TREES! THEY DID
NOT MENTION TREES
BEFORE! THE ORDERS
MUST HAVE FALLEN
INTO CENTRAL PARK
LAKE! THAT IS THE
ONLY PLACE TO FIT
THE DISCRPTION!

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WE MUST NOT WASTE TIME ON THESE TWO! TIE WEIGHTS TO THEIR LEGS!

JA, HERR BARON

BOUND TO HALF-TON ANCHORS, HOURMAN AND THORNDYKE ARE PLUNGED TO THE BOTTOM OF THE BAY!

OVERBOARD WITH THEM! WE MUST GET TO THE PARK AT ONCE! THE FATE OF OUR WHOLE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT DEPENDS ON THOSE ORDERS!

AND AS SUFFOCATING SECONDS TICK TOWARD DROWNING AND DEATH...

WE'RE DROWNING-- GOT TO DO SOMETHING-- BUT W-WHAT?

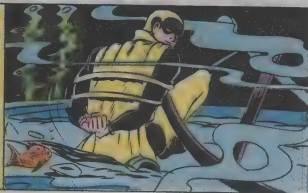
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TH-THOSE CLAM-SHELLS--- EDGES SHARP AS KNIVES---

ON THE RAZOR-SHARP SHELLS OF LONG-DEAD CLAMS, HOURMAN SAWS HIS BONDS WITH DESPERATE SPEED---

......



AND, IN A TRIUMPHANT SURGE TO THE SURFACE, THE RACE AGAINST DEATH ENDS!

AAGH! ANOTHER SECOND, AND I'DA BEEN A DEAD FISH!

KEEP GOING, BOY! WE'VE GOT SOME LIVE FISH WE STILL GOT TO CATCH!

HEY, WAIT FOR ME! THE FIGHT'LL BE OVER BEFORE I GET THERE!

WE'RE ONLY A FEW MINUTES BEHIND THEM, THORNY! LET'S HURRY!



ON THE SHORE OF PLACID CENTRAL
PARK LAKE---

HOURLMAN!
B-BUT...

THIS IS
AN AMERICAN
WAY OF SAYING,
HEIL HITLER!



IN A GRIM RACE AGAINST TIME,
HOURLMAN'S FISTS FLASH LIKE
TRIP-HAMMERS---

HOW ABOUT
A LITTLE
TRIP,
BARON?

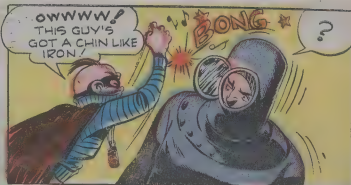


THIS IS A PRIVATE
PARTY, BUD, SO
DON'T HORN IN!



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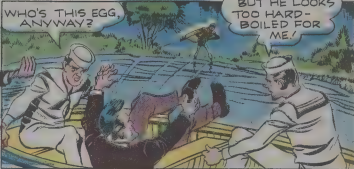
OWWWW!
THIS GUY'S
GOT A CHIN LIKE
IRON!



ACH, HEINRICH,
IS DIS A
BETRAYAL?



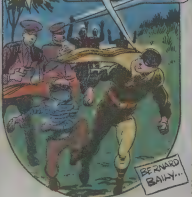
WHO'S THIS EGG,
ANYWAY?



I DUNNO,
BUT HE LOOKS
TOO HARD-
BOILED FOR
ME!

AND AS GENUINE POLICE
OFFICERS TAKE OVER--
TIME IS UP!

HEY,
HOURLMAN,
JUST A
MINUTE--
SORRY,
CAN'T WAIT!
MY LUNCH-
HOUR'S OVER
IS HE
KIDDIN'?



BUT AS REX TYLER STEALS
GUILTILY INTO HIS OFFICE--

FIVE MINUTES LATE, TYLER!
YOU'RE PRACTICALLY
HELPING OUR ENEMIES
WIN THIS WAR!



GET
A LOAD
OF
HIM!

"AMERICOMMANDO!!"

THE NAME THE
NAZI'S FEAR THE MOST!
FIND OUT WHY, IN YOUR
COPY OF
ACTION COMICS!



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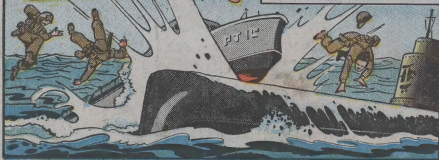
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